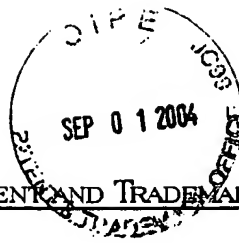


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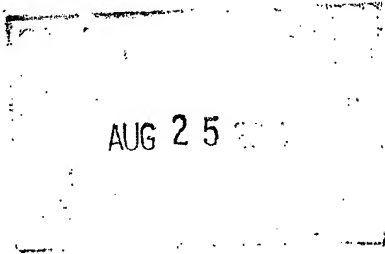
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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 08/21/2003 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 11/19/2003 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application. Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- An abstract of the technical disclosure not exceeding 150 words in length and commencing on a separate sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 1.72(b) is required. An abstract was not provided for this application.

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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - More than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.) (see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1)). See Figure(s) The specification states that there is a figure 3a & b instead there is a figure 2a-b, and a figure 4a-b, but there is no figure 3a-b.

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WITHDRAWAL NOTICE



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WITHDRAWAL OF PREVIOUSLY SENT NOTICE

The Notice mailed on 01/29/2004 was sent in error and is hereby withdrawn. A corrected Notice is enclosed. The time period for reply runs from the mail date of the corrected Notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this caused.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

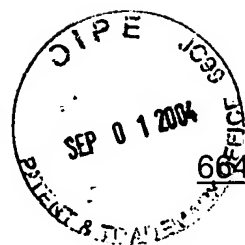

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September 1, 2004

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice mailed August 23, 2004, shown by the enclosed copy.

This Notice, entitled Withdrawal of Previously Sent Notice, is inaccurate and not understood. It refers to a Notice mailed on January 29, 2004 which was said to be sent in error and which is said to be withdrawn. However, no Notice having a mail date of January 29, 2004 was ever sent or received in connection with this application.

Attached herewith is a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed November 19, 2003, together with a copy of the Response.

In the Notice of Incomplete Reply (NonProvisional), attached to the Withdrawal of previously Sent Notice, the Patent Office incorrectly refers to our reply dated August 21,

2003 to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed November 19, 2003. A Notice was mailed November 19, 2003, except that the Notice was entitled "Notice to File Corrected Application Papers" and not a Notice to File Missing Parts. Secondly, we responded to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers on January 20, 2004, and not on August 21, 2003, this latter date actually being a date prior to the November 19, 2003 date.

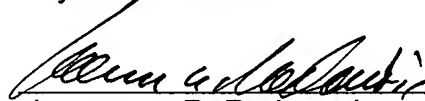
It is assumed that the January 20, 2004 Response to the Notice mailed on November 19, 2003, has been entered.

In the Specification, as a separate last page following the claims, please insert the attached Abstract of the Disclosure which is in compliance with 37 C.F.R 1.72(b), as required by the Notice mailed August 23, 2004.

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